REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Sanford (U.S. 1,872,823).

Drawings

It is noted that the Examiner has accepted the drawings as originally filed with this application.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claim 1, amended claims 2 and 3, and has added new claim 5 to this application. It is believed that the new and amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, and define subject matter that is patentably distinguishable over the cited prior art.

The new claims are directed toward a structure for interconnecting first and second carriage carts, each of the first and second carriage carts comprising: a bridge section (12) connected to an end of the carriage seat and having a first connecting section (13) located on two opposing ends thereof; a carriage seat (11) being a polygonal body having a plurality of wheels connected to a bottom thereof and a second connecting section located on opposing ends of an end thereof; and a key section (15) selectively connecting the first connecting section to the second connecting section, wherein the key section one of the first and the second carriage cart selectively connecting the second connecting section of the first carriage cart and the second connecting section of one of the first and the second carriage cart to opposing ends of the bridge section of one of the first and the second carriage carts.

Sanford teaches a trailer truck having a trailer truck member (14) at a first end, a first draft gear part (24), connected to the trailer truck member (14), and a second draft gear part (26) connected to a second end of the trailer truck. A center of the second draft gear part is connected to a center of the first gear part.

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Sanford does not teach each of the first and second carriage carts comprising a bridge section; nor does Sanford teach the key section one of the first and the second carriage carts selectively connecting the second connecting section of the first carriage cart and the second connecting section of the second carriage cart to opposing ends of the bridge section of one of the first and the second carriage carts.

It is axiomatic in U.S. patent law that, in order for a reference to anticipate a claimed structure, it must clearly disclose each and every feature of the claimed structure. Applicant submits that it is abundantly clear, as discussed above, that Sanford does not disclose each and every feature of Applicant's new and amended claims and, therefore, could not possibly anticipate these claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102. Absent a specific showing of these features, Sanford cannot be said to anticipate any of Applicant's new or amended claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

It is further submitted that Sanford does not disclose, or suggest any modification of the specifically disclosed structures that would lead one having ordinary skill in the art to arrive at Applicant's claimed structure. Thus, it is not believed that Sanford renders obvious any of Applicant's new or amended claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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